

## **DDCT A Key Player in Success of AMCOM Trial Mission**

Defense Distribution Depot Corpus Christi, TX (DDCT) recently participated in an Aviation Materiel Command (AMCOM) trial airlift mission to provide aviation repair parts to Warfighters in Iraq in the shortest time possible.

Aviation components and parts were gathered from DDCT's warehouses and received from Defense Distribution Depot Red River, TX (DDRT). All the materiel was loaded onto Air Line of Communication (ALOC) pallets and secured with special netting for air transport. And, in the middle of readying the loads, DDCT received a surprise visit from a very special and familiar guest.

MG James Pillsbury, USA, AMCOM Commander and the former Commander of the Defense Distribution Center (DDC),

stopped by to get a first-hand look at DDCT's preparations while he was visiting with nearby Corpus Christi Army Depot. Voicing his approval with customary humor, MG Pillsbury commented, "We got a go at this station."

A few days later, DDCT employees worked along side the Theater Aviation Single Manger crew to quickly load 13 pallets (more than 150 assets) of materiel into the back of an Air Force C-17 cargo plane at Naval Air Station Corpus Christi that soon departed to deliver the items to Soldiers eagerly waiting for the cargo in Iraq.

DDCT Commander LTC Shiela J-McClaney, USA, was very excited to be a part of the AMCOM airlift trial. "This gave us the opportunity to prove again that DDC is the strongest link in the supply chain," she said. "From all initial reports, the AMCOM airlift went extremely well. We received information from two observers who accompanied the flight that the Soldiers in Iraq were ecstatic when they saw the repair parts they needed to make their aircraft operational again."



*A truck from DDRT arrives with additional materiel for the airlift.*



*Left to right: DDCT Commander LTC J-McClaney, AMCOM Commander mG Pillsbury, and DDCT Deputy Commander Bob Rosarius.*



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